

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, fighting fires is one of the most hazardous professions, requiring extensive training, strength and endurance, courage, and a selfless concern for the welfare of our residents; and

WHEREAS, in addition to their daily service to our communities, firefighters throughout the Palmetto State and across the nation have partnered with the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) for more than fifty years in the fight against neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, each year, South Carolina firefighters hold their "Fill the Boot" drive to help MDA by collecting funds to assist in providing medical services at local clinics, summer camps, research grants, support groups, and public education seminars for children and families.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2011 as

### FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize and honor our firefighters for their efforts to keep our residents safe and to help raise awareness of neuromuscular diseases.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA